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- U.S. Patent No. 5,023,832, entitled, "Method of Maintaining Asynchronous Real-Time Data" by Fulcher, Jr. et al., issued June 11, 1991.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,325,527, entitled, "Client/Server Communication System Utilizing A Self-Generating Nodal Network" by Cwikowski et al., issued June 28, 1994.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,325,530, entitled, "Controller for Sequential Programming Tools Executed in a Parallel Computing Environment" by Mohrmann, issued June 28, 1994.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,341,499, entitled, "Method and Apparatus for Processing Multiple File System Server Requests in a Data Processing Network" by Doragh, issued August 23, 1994.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,414,845, entitled, "Network-Based Computer System with Improved Network Scheduling System" by Behm et al., issued May 9, 1995.

- U.S. Patent No. 5,596,748, entitled, "Functional Compensation in a Heterogeneous, Distributed Database Environment" by Kleewein et al., issued January 21, 1997.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,619,655, entitled, "System for Administration and Management of Network From Remote or Central Station Through An Operator Interface Which Prepares and Stores the Management Orders for Execution" by Weng et al., issued April 8, 1997.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,621,910, entitled, "System for Controlling Instruction Distribution for Use in Superscalar Parallel Processor" by Nagamatsu, issued April 15, 1997.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,625,837, entitled, "Processor Architecture Having Out-of-Order Execution, Speculative Branching, and Giving Priority to Instructions Which Affect a Condition Code" by Popescu et al., issued April 29, 1997.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,634,127, entitled, "Methods and Apparatus for Implementing a Message Driven Processor in a Client-Server Environment" by Cloud et al., issued May 27, 1997.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,680,597, entitled, "System with Flexible Local Control for Modifying Same Instruction Partially in Different Processor of a SIMD Computer System to Execute Dissimilar Sequences of Instructions" by Kumar et al., issued October 21, 1997.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,689,677, entitled, "Circuit for Enhancing Performance of a Computer for Personal Use" by MacMillan, issued November 18, 1997.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,689,681, entitled, "System for Reading Dynamically Changing Data Supporting Partial Reads of Storage Locations" by Petersen, issued November 18, 1997.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,689,708, entitled, "Client/Server Computer Systems Having Control of Client-Based Application Programs, and Application-Program Control Means Therefor" by Regnier et al., issued November 18, 1997.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,692,128, entitled, "Computer Network with Reliable and Efficient Removable Media Services" by Bolles et al., issued November 25, 1997.
- U.S. Patent No. 5,692,141, entitled, "Groupware System Providing Facilitated Data Transfer Among Common and Individual Work Areas" by Kamisango et al., issued November 25, 1997.

U.S. Patent No. 5,710,887, entitled, "Computer System and Method for Electronic Commerce" by Chelliah et al., issued January 20, 1998.

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